



# Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program

Energy Division  
Alabama Department  
of Economic and Community Affairs



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# EECBG Program

- **Total: \$3.2 billion**
  - \$2.8 billion as authorized in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007
    - 28% to states (60% to local governments)
    - 68% to local governments
    - 2% to Indian tribes
    - 2% in competitive grants
  - \$400 million in competitive grants
    - Competitive grants will promote market transformation, innovation, and leveraging
    - Performance contracting, on-bill financing, revolving loans, loan guarantees, and other financial incentives and mechanisms



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# Allocations for Alabama

State Energy Office (60% to local governments)

- Baldwin County
- Calhoun County
- Cullman County
- Jefferson County
- Madison County
- Marshall County
- Mobile County
- Shelby County
- Talladega County
- Tuscaloosa County

Cities of

- Auburn
- Birmingham
- Decatur
- Dothan
- Florence
- Gadsden
- Hoover
- Huntsville
- Madison
- Mobile
- Montgomery
- Tuscaloosa



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# Purpose and Objectives

- To assist local governments in implementing energy efficiency and conservation programs to:
  - Spur economic growth and create jobs
  - Save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
  - Improve energy efficiency in the building and transportation sectors
- Transparency & accountability important



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# Eligible Uses of Funds

- Primarily for Energy Efficiency and Energy Conservation
  - Not just municipal buildings and facilities
  - Don't have to do capital *projects*. Think *programs*, think *big*, think *leverage*, with programs that pay dividends year after year, creating more jobs into the future.



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# Eligible Uses of Funds

1. Strategy development
2. Building Energy Audits & Retrofits
3. Financial Incentive Programs
4. Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs for Buildings and Facilities
5. Building Energy Codes and Enforcement
6. Development and Implementation of Transportation Programs
7. Traffic Signals and Street Lighting
8. Energy Distribution Technologies for EE including CHP & district heating and cooling
9. Material Conservation Programs including source reduction, recycling, and recycled content procurement programs
10. Reduction and Capture of Methane and Greenhouse Gases
11. Renewable Energy Technologies on Government Buildings
12. Any Other Appropriate Activity



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# Funding Limits

- Funds Available: \$6.2 million
- 20 – 30 Awards anticipated
- \$250,000 maximum award per government entity
- Multi-entity projects are encouraged
- For multi-entity awards the maximum award is the sum of limits for each entity.



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# Reporting and Measuring Success

- Outcome metrics:
  - Jobs created and/or retained
  - Energy saved
  - Renewable energy generated
  - GHG emissions reduced
  - Funds leveraged
  - Cost Savings
- DOE developing reporting metrics
- Individual output metrics based on activity type



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# Request for Application

- Non-entitlement government entities will receive a copy by email
- The RFA will also be posted at [www.adeca.alabama.gov](http://www.adeca.alabama.gov)
- Cost matching is not required but is strongly encouraged
- Preference will be given to projects that are self-sustaining



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# Handouts

- Application Form
- Budget Justification



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# Allowable Costs

- Refer to 2 CFR Part 225 (Cost Principles For State And Local Governments - formerly OMB Circular A-87)
- For website email Karl Frost @ [karl.frost@adeca.alabama.gov](mailto:karl.frost@adeca.alabama.gov)



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# Deadline for Receipt of Applications

- Applications are due no later than **5:00 PM CDT, Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**
  - Late applications will not be considered



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# Questions

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